

Wildlife Conservation Racing to meet conservation

The sky is crystal blue and the summer breeze cools the afternoon crowd. The race track is ready and the horses, with fire in their eyes, are chomping at the bit. Energy is high. The excitement and anticipation are overwhelming. The starting bell rings, the gates fly open and the crowd

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cheers as the thunderous hoofs of champion thoroughbreds race to the finish line. And the winner is — wildlife!

Horse racing, parimutuel betting and wildlife, are a good combination for one of California's most successful and resourceful state organizations, the Wildlife Conservation Board (WCB). With an initial budget of \$3 million from California's parimutuel betting or horse racing fund, the WCB was created in 1947. With the legislative mandate to protect California's rich mosaic of natural resources, WCB also provides funding for public access facilities so that the people of California can enjoy the wonders of the great outdoors.

With an emphasis on acquiring land and working with numerous public and private partnerships, WCB has demonstrated how to successfully protect California's natural resources and meet the public's need and demand for quality outdoor recreational opportunities. Since 1947, annual funding from parimutuel betting has declined to \$750,000. However, numerous state bond measures and legislative augmentations have provided sufficient revenues over the last 55 years to protect approximately 595,000 acres of critical habitat for the fish and wildlife resources and to restore and enhance more than 209,000 acres of wildlife habitat. Moreover, in cooperation with local agencies, 353 projects have been implemented to provide the public with access to the



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Humboldt Bay Wildlife Area, Jacoby Creek Gannon Slough Unit.

numerous rivers, lakes and streams for fishing, hiking, fishing piers, boat ramps and other quality wildlife oriented recreational opportunities. Through WCB's efforts, wildlife areas, ecological reserves, areas for public hunting, fishing, bird watching and hiking have been protected, restored and enhanced for generations to come.

Over the years, as funding levels have changed in response to California's

changing economic conditions, WCB has continued to protect critical fish and wildlife areas. WCB's reputation for "getting the job done" has resulted in major programmatic expansions to as well.

Beginning in 1990, WCB was given the responsibility of implementing Inland Wetlands Conservation Program (IWCP). This program assists the Central Valley Habitat Joint Venture (CVHJV), which

Conservation Board - Conservation challenges



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Arroyo Hondo Ecological Reserve.

consists of organizations dedicated to the preservation and restoration of wetlands and associated waterfowl habitat. The basic mission is to create and implement waterfowl conservation efforts that make economic as well as social and environmental sense. Working in conjunction with CVHJV partners, the program has been remarkably effective in protecting and restoring wetlands and associated habitat

for the millions of migrating waterfowl that visit the Central Valley.

To date, close to \$42.4 million has been expended to protect, restore or enhance approximately 214,000 acres of wetlands, uplands and critical farm land for migrating waterfowl.

In 1991, the Legislature established California Riparian Habitat Conservation. In part, its success has been due the partnerships developed to

coordinate conservation efforts and activities aimed at protecting and restoring the state's riparian ecosystems. Since the program's inception, approximately \$398 million has been approved to protect, restore or enhance approximately 149,000 acres of riparian habitat.

While success has guided WCB efforts, the business of protecting and conserving California's abundance of natural resources has become challenging and oftentimes controversial. Population increases coupled with urban expansion and changing economic influences at the state and local level have presented new challenges to the WCB in its efforts to protect California's natural resources. In response to these challenges, another conservation tool has been provided to WCB: tax credits.

While still relatively new, the Natural Heritage Preservation Tax Credit Act of 2000 is an innovative effort that offers a tax credit in exchange for a qualified donation. The tax credit is valued at 55 percent of the appraised fair market value of the donation.

Recognizing the diversity of natural resources across the state, qualified donations include water and water rights, agricultural lands, wetlands, riparian and oak woodlands, habitats for endangered species and land that will provide open space and access to public recreational areas. Authorized to approve and award \$100 million in tax credits, to date the tax credit program has resulted in the protection of about 7,060 acres of critical farm and wildlife habitat, parks and open space and public access sites. Total cost to the state, \$33.5 million in tax credits on donated lands valued at \$60.9 million, or 45 percent less than the cost to purchase these same lands in fee or easement.

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Acquisitions Authorized for Fiscal Year 2001-2002					
Project	County	Purpose	Acre	Partners	Allocation Fund
Alberhill CA	Riverside	HP	9,422	Riverside Co.	\$6,010,000 GF, P12
Allensworth ER-Exp 23	Tulare	HP	10	BOR	\$8,000 HCF
Allensworth ER-Exp 24	Tulare	HP	20	BOR	\$2,000 HCF
Arroyo Hondo Preserve	Santa Barbara	HP	782	LTSBC, SCC	\$1,510,000 P12
Battle Creek WA, Water Rights Acquisition	Tehama	WSR		DFG	\$60,000 GF
Big River CA	Mendocino	HP	7,337	SCC, DPR, CDF, DFG, MLT	\$5,003,000 GF
Big River CA (Agmt.)	Mendocino	HP		SCC, DPR, CDF, DFG, MLT	\$1,005,500 P12
Bixby Ranch Donation	Monterey	HP	119	TPL, USFS	\$2,000 GF
Bixby Ranch, Exp. 1	Monterey	HP	170	TPL, USFS	\$2,005,000 GF
Black Mountain Preserve	Fresno	HP	362	SFC,	\$187,000 P12
Bolsa Point Ranches	San Mateo	HP, CE	2,719	POST	\$10,010,000 GF
Briones Valley (Cowell Ranch)	Contra Costa	HP	3,650	SCC, DPR, DFG, BOR, CalTrans	\$3,005,000 P12
Camp Cady WA, Exp 7, Agmt.	San Bernardino	HP		DFG	\$4,500 HCF
Carpenteria Bluffs Donation	Santa Barbara	HP	30	TPL	\$3,000 GF
Carrizo Plain, Exp 3	San Luis Obispo	HP	14,314	BLM, DFG, TNC	\$4,286,600 P-12
Chorro Creek ER	San Luis Obispo	HP	580	City of Morro Bay, SCC, FWS, CalTrans, MBNEP	\$2,910,000 P12
Chuckwalla Bench WA	Riverside	HP	70	DFG	\$27,000 P-12
Cosumnes River WA, Exp. 10	Sacramento	CE	647	TNC	\$1,060,000 P13
Daugherty Hill WA, Exp 10	Yuba	HP	223	DFG	\$610,000 HCF
Daugherty Hill WA, Exp 9	Butte, Yuba	HP, CE	1,331	DFG	\$1,388,200 HCF
Del Mar Mesa Vernal Pool Preserve, Exp 1	San Diego	HP	360	City of San Diego	N/A
Dillonwood Grove	Tulare	HP	1,540	DPR, DFG	\$675,000 GF
Eagle Ridge CE	Calaveras	CE	3,009	DFG	\$10,000 HCF
East Merced VPGP, Exp. 2	Merced	CE	1,764	TNC	\$2,606,413 GF
East Merced VPGP, Exp. 3	Merced	CE	304	TNC	\$392,983 GF
East Merced VPGP, Exp. 4	Merced	CE	7,620	TNC	\$3,852,500 GF
East Merced VPGP, Exp. 5	Merced	HP	3,074	TNC	\$3,005,000 GF
East Sacramento County Blue Oak Legacy Area	Sacramento	HP	2,054	SVOSC	\$2,005,000 P12
Fall River WA	Shasta	PA	1,159	DFG	\$31,170,000 P12, HCF
Feather River WA, Marysville Unit	Yuba	HP	6	DFG	\$18,500 P12
Hart Ranch Donation	Lake	HP	22	DPR	N/A
Holly Springs Ranch	San Diego	HP	99	DFG	\$2,130,000 HCF
Howe Creek CA	Humboldt	HP	3,640	SCC, LO	\$921,250 GF
Humboldt Bay WA	Humboldt	HP	322	City of Arcata	\$1,285,000 P12
Humboldt Bay WA, Exp 2	Humboldt	HP	10	DFG, City of Arcata	\$75,000 HCF
Humboldt Bay WA, Exp 3	Humboldt	HP	25	City of Arcata	\$223,000 HCF
Humboldt Bay WA, Exp 4	Humboldt	HP	49	City of Arcata	\$240,000 HCF
Irish Hills CA, Exp 1	San Luis Obispo	HP	241	County of San Luis Obispo, TNC	\$302,500 P12
Iron Mountain WA, Exp 1	San Diego	HP	716	SDC	\$2,005,000 P12
Jacoby Creek Forest	Humboldt	HP	331	City of Arcata	\$815,000 HCF
Jepson Prairie Ecosystem CA	Solano	HP	3,459	DFG	\$2,505,000 HCF
Joel McCrea Ranch CA (Donation)	Ventura	HP	59	Conejo Recreation and Park District	\$3,000 GF
Joshua Creek Canyon ER, Exp. 1	Monterey	HP	7,129	Big Sur Land Trust	\$5,030,000 P12
Kern County Valley Floor HCP	Kern	HP	495	Kern County	\$309,500 DWRMF
Lake Earl WA Exp. 24, 25 & 26	Del Norte	HP	55	DFG	\$521,500 P12
Lake Earl WA, Exp. 23	Del Norte	HP	24	DFG	\$154,000 HCF
Lokern ER, Exp. 20	Kern	HP	38	City of Bakersfield, Kern Co., TNC, FWS, CEC, BLM	\$18,000 DWRMF
Los Banos WA, Mud Slough Unit, Exp 3	Merced	HP	67	DFG	\$330,000 P12
Los Osos Dunes and Wetland CA	San Luis Obispo	HP	18	FWS, SCC, DPR, CALTRANS, RA, MEGA, MBNEP	\$192,000 P12
Lost Coast Headlands	Humboldt	HP	183	BLM	\$415,000 P12
Madera Farmland CA (Donation)	Madera	CE	116	AFT	\$3,000 GF
Madera Farmland CA Phase II	Madera	HP	327	AFT	\$10,000 GF
Marina Coastal Dunes	Monterey	HP	51	MPRPD	\$1,505,000 GF
Mattole River ER, Exp 10	Mendocino	HP	40	DFG	\$606,000 HCF
Merced River SHP (Agmt.), Robinson Cattle Co.	Merced	HP	310	DWR, DFG	\$276,775 HCF
Merced River SHP, Robinson Cattle Co.	Merced	HP	310	DWR, DFG	\$355,000 HCF
Monrovia Wilderness Preserve	Los Angeles	HP	429	City of Monrovia	\$9,035,000 GF
Morro Bay Dunes	San Luis Obispo	HP	40	DPR, FWS	N/A
No. Calif. - North Coast Region Property Exch.	Shasta	Exch.	0	DFG	\$2,500 GF
Oceanside Linkages	San Diego	HP	36	City of Oceanside	\$710,000 GF
Old Dutch Cleanser Mine (Red Rock Canyon SP)	Kern	HP	280	DPR	\$305,000 GF
Peninsular Bighorn Sheep ER	Riverside	HP	3,026	CVMC	\$3,020,000 P12
Pitkin Marsh ER	Sonoma	HP	6	DFG	\$283,200 HCF
Rancho Dos Vistas	Santa Barbara	HP	1,406	Land Trust of Santa Barbara Co.	\$6,000 GF
Rancho Jamul-Exp 2	San Diego	HP	51	DFG	\$2,030,000 P12
Rasmussen Donation - SMMC	Los Angeles	HP	152	SMMC	N/A Tax Credit
Redwoods to the Sea Corridor, Exp. 2	Humboldt	HP	280	Save the Redwoods League	\$230,000 P12
Rock Creek Ranch	Del Norte	HP	15	Smith River Alliance	\$252,500 GF
Sacramento Prairie Vernal Pool Preserve	Sacramento	HP	282	DFG	\$410,000 GF
Sacramento River CA, Exp 4	Glenn	HP	454	TNC	\$2,743,000 HCF
Sacramento River CA, Exp 5	Glenn	HP	259	TNC	\$1,680,000 HCF
Sacramento Valley Refuge (Change in Scope)	Glenn	HP	0	FWS, TNC	N/A
San Bernardino Mtns WC (Upper Deep Creek)	San Bernardino	HP	126	San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust	\$166,972 GF
San Bruno Mountain, Brisbane Acres, Exp. 1	San Mateo	HP	7	City of Brisbane, FWS	\$1,000 GF
San Dieguito River Valley Corridor	San Diego	HP		San Dieguito River Park JPA	\$4,330,000 P13
San Felipe WA, Exp 2	San Diego	HP	5,041	TPL, CDF	\$5,050,000 P-12
San Jacinto WA, Exp 20	Riverside	HP	922	DFG	\$5,922,000 GF, HCF
San Jacinto WA, Exp 21	Riverside	HP	9	DFG	\$10,000 HCF
SJRRH (SJRC 6, River Vista Partners)	Madera	HP	177	SJRC	\$3,194,880 P12
SJRRH (SJRC 7, Finch)	Fresno	HP	20	SJRC	\$510,000 P13
SJRRH (SJRC 8, Glaspey)	Fresno	HP	20	SJRC	\$897,000 P13
SJRRH (SJRC 9, Cobb, Proctor, Broadwell)	Madera	HP	262	SJRC	\$3,423,880 P13
SJRRH (SJRC 10, Ledger Island)	Madera	HP	161	SJRC	\$3,560,000 P12
SJRRH (SJRC 11, Spano)	Fresno, Madera	HP	550	SJRC	\$892,600 P13
San Timoteo Canyon	Riverside	HP	438	RLC, DPR	\$2,000 GF
South Spit Humboldt Bay	Humboldt	HP	598	BLM	\$5,000 GF
Stone Corral-Exp 2	Tulare	HP	15	BOR	\$11,000 HCF
Stone Corral-Exp 3	Tulare	HP	80	BOR	\$21,650 HCF
Tauhindaui PA	Siskiyou	PA	6	DFG, City of Dunsmuir	N/A
Thomes Creek Ecological Reserve, Exp. 1	Tehama	HP	8	DFG	\$23,000 WRF
Tomaes Bay State Park Donation	Marin	HP	92	DPR	N/A
Triple Creek CA	Riverside	HP	9,706	Riverside Co.	\$7,010,000 P-12
Tuna Canyon CA	Los Angeles	HP	1,016	SMMC	N/A
Upper Cosumnes River Basin, Exp. 1	El Dorado	HP	120	BLM, DFG	\$177,500 GF
Watsonville Slough ER, Exp. 4	Santa Cruz	CE	18	DFG	\$3,000 HCF
Wetland CREP (Traynham Ranch)	Colusa	HP	235	CWA, LO	\$561,500 P12
WHR, East Grasslands (San Felipe Ranch)	Merced	HR	0	DU	\$110,000 GF
Yolo Bypass WA, Exp. 5	Yolo	HP	100	DFG	\$207,000 P12
Yolo Bypass, Exp 3	Yolo	HP	12,123	DFG	\$14,900,000 P12, GF
Yolo Bypass, Exp 4	Yolo	HP	685	DFG	\$1,730,000 P12

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Allensworth ER-Exp 21	Tulare	HP	2	BOR	\$1,500	HCF
Allensworth ER-Exp 22	Tulare	HP	12	BOR	\$972	HCF
Andrew Creek ER, Exp 1	Tuolumne	HP	80	BLM, TPL, TLT	N/A	HCF
Arroyo Hondo Preserve	Santa Barbara	HP	782	LTSBC, SCC	\$1,500,736	P12
Basso Bridge ER	Stanislaus	HP	15	DFG, Stanislaus County	N/A	CalFed Grant
Bear Creek Redwoods	Santa Clara	HP	805	MPROSD	\$1,996,879	GF
Bear Valley CA	Colusa	HP	12,896	ALC	\$1,110,000	GF
Big Chico Creek	Butte	HP	2,724	CSU, Chico, River Network, PF, USFWS, DFG	\$1,678,714	P12
Boden Canyon ER, Expansion #1	San Diego	HP	590	CSD, SDC, DFG	\$2,185,840	HCF
Boden Canyon ER, Expansion #2	San Diego	HP	70	CSD, SDC, DFG	\$216,000	HCF
Chilcoot WA	Plumas	HP	235	DFG	\$124,000	HCF
Chilcoot WA, Exp 1	Plumas	HP	20	DFG	\$48,000	HCF
Chilcoot WA, Exp 2	Plumas	HP	20	DFG	\$51,409	HCF
Coachella Valley ER, Exp 12	Riverside	HP	34	DFG	\$100,000	HCF
Coachella Valley ER, Exp 13	Riverside	HP	73	DFG	\$316,378	HCF
Cosumnes River WA, Exp 8	Sacramento	CE	1,136	BLM, Co. of Sac, TNC, DU, DWR	\$10,000	P12
Cosumnes River WA, Exp 9	Sacramento	CE	475	BLM, Co. of Sac, TNC, DU, DWR	\$460,667	P12
Cosumnes River WA, Exp. 10	Sacramento	CE	647	TNC	\$1,048,007	P13
Daugherty Hill WA, Exp 7	Yuba	CE	0	DFG	\$100,000	HCF
Daugherty Hill WA, Exp 8	Yuba	CE	21	DFG	\$55,790	HCF
Diablo Range CA	Monterey	CE	17,000	TPL, PF, Ca Rangeland Trust	\$2,001,104	P12, GF
Feather River WA, Marysville Unit	Yuba	HP	6	DFG	\$12,790	P12
Gateway to Lake Isabella Wetlands Preserve	Kern	HP	19	County of Kern	\$28,476	WRF
Hamilton Branch FA	Plumas	PA	4	DFG	\$303,648	GF
Heenan Lake WA, Land Exch.	Alpine	Trans.	80	BLM, DFG	\$1,111	HCF
Humboldt Bay WA	Humboldt	HP	63	JCLT, City of Arcata	\$545,512	GF
Jacoby Creek Forest	Humboldt	HP	331	City of Arcata	\$810,736	HCF
Lakeside Linkages	San Diego	HP	0	SDC	\$783,510	HCF
Lakeside Linkages, Exp. 5	San Diego	HP	12	SDC	N/A	GF
Lassen Foothills	Tehama	CE	9,577	TNC, CalTrans (EEMP), BOR	\$1,149,144	P12, HCF
Lassen Foothills, Exp 1 (Eagle Canyon Ranch CE)	Shasta, Tehama	CE	990	DFG	\$166,656	P12
Leek Springs Valley ER	El Dorado	HP	161	DFG	\$165,747	HCF
Lucky Five Ranch	San Diego	HP	2,675	DPR, DFG	N/A	
Marina Coastal Dunes	Monterey	HP	51	MPRPD	\$1,501,840	GF
Merced River, Robinson Ranch Unit	Merced	HP	318	DFG	N/A	Other
Montana Mirador Preserve	San Diego	HP	538	SDC	\$3,381,601	P12
Napa Marsh WA, Salt Pond Unit	Napa, Solano, Sonoma	HP	9,367	DFG	\$1,262,707	P70
No. Calif. - North Coast Region Property Exch.	Shasta	Exch.	0	DFG	N/A	GF
Pine Hill ER, Cameron Park Unit, Ponderosa 50	El Dorado	HP	90	American River Conservancy	\$900,000	HCF
Sacramento River CA	Glenn	CE	102	TNC	N/A	P12
Sacramento River CA, Exp. 1	Glenn	CE	89	TNC	\$561,904	P12
San Bruno Mountain ER Disposal	San Mateo	Trans.	-10	DFG, City of Brisbane	\$1,840	GF
San Bruno Mountain, Brisbane Acres	San Mateo	HP	6	City of Brisbane	\$736	GF
San Jacinto WA, Exp 12	Riverside	HP	171	DFG	\$1,218,000	GF
San Jacinto WA, Exp 13	Riverside	CE	191	DFG	\$1,405,761	GF
San Jacinto WA, Exp 14	Riverside	HP	274	DFG	\$1,707,500	P12, GF
So. Fork Kern River ER-Canebrake Creek Exp. 1	Kern	HP	120	DFG	\$237,999	HCF
Upper Cosumnes River Basin	El Dorado	CE	1,178	ARC, PF	\$581,104	GF
Wetland CEP, (Cherokee Farms)	Butte	CE	476	DFG	\$1,466,602	GF, HCF
Total			64,516		\$31,200,919	



Briones Valley, Contra Costa County.

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Development Project Authorized for Fiscal Year 2001-2002

Project	County	Purpose	Acres	Partners	Allocation	Fund
Bair Island Restoration Plan	San Mateo	HR		SCC, POST, DFG	\$75,000	HCF
Belden's Landing Fishing Access, Phase III, Agmt.	Solano	PA Imprv.	10	Solano County	\$156,135	GF
City of Isleton PA	Sacramento	PA		City of Isleton	\$250,270	GF, HWRF
Clarksburg PA Imprv.	Yolo	PA		County of Yolo	\$158,270	GF, HWRF
Cosumnes River Preserve PA	Sacramento	PA	38	BLM, TNC	\$125,835	P-12
Horseshoe Lake Fishing Pier	Butte	PA	1	City of Chico	\$89,270	GF
HR, Rancho Mirage Bighorn Sheep	Riverside	HP		City of Rancho Mirage	\$100,000	P12
HR, White Point Nature Preserve	Los Angeles	HR		PVPLC, City of LA	\$810,000	P12
Lake Shastina PA Imprv.	Siskiyou	PA Imprv.		Siskiyou County	\$35,270	GF
Lake Siskiyou Fishing Access, North Shore	Siskiyou	PA Imprv.		Siskiyou County	\$20,070	GF
Lake Tahoe PA (Parking Lot)	Placer	PA		TCPUD,	\$484,135	GF
Lake Tahoe PA, Agmt.	Placer	PA Imprv.		TCPUD	\$188,135	GF
RHR, American River Parkway	Sacramento	HR		Sacramento County	\$260,000	HCF
RHR, Cache Creek, Lower Reach	Yolo	HR		Cache Creek Conservancy	\$595,000	HCF
RHR, Lower Colorado River (Imperial Division)	Imperial	HR		BOR	\$1,400,000	GF
RHR, Lower Owens River Saltcedar Control	Inyo	HR		LADWP, Inyo Co., DFG	\$490,000	P-12
RHR, Pleasant Valley ER	Fresno	HR		DFG	\$49,200	HCF
RHR, Sacramento River WA, Pine Creek Unit	Glenn	HR		DFG	\$982,100	HCF
RHR, Santa Rosa Creek	Santa Barbara	HR		LO, SCC, SBWA, SBRoads, DWR, CalTrans	\$330,000	HCF
RHR, Sheepy Creek (Cross Ranch)	Siskiyou	HR		CWA	\$110,000	GF
Sacramento River WA Access, Site 21	Glenn	PA	50	DFG, Glenn Co.	\$135	GF
San Joaquin River Parkway, Lewis S. Eaton Trail	Fresno	PA	1	City of Fresno	\$578,430	P12, GF
Scott River Fish Screening Program	Siskiyou	HR		DFG	\$600,000	GF
Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center	Orange	HP		HBWC, Hunting Beach Wetlands Cons	\$600,000	GF
WHR (Wallace Ranch)	Yolo	HR		CWA	\$50,000	HCF
WHR, (Coast Cattle Ranch)	Merced	HR		DU	\$23,900	HCF
WHR, (Wingsetter Ranch)	Stanislaus	HR		DU	\$49,000	HCF
WHR, Butte Valley WA	Siskiyou	HR		CWA	\$135,000	HCF
WHR, Honey Lake Valley (Honey Lake Ranch)	Lassen	HR		DU, DFG, LO, FWS, NAWCA	\$103,000	HCF
WHR, Honey Lake Valley (Honker Heaven)	Lassen	HR		DU, DFG, LO, FWS, NCRS, NAWCA	\$62,000	HCF
WHR, Honey Lake Valley (Wild Goose Club)	Lassen	HR		DU	\$76,000	HCF
WHR, Joice Island WA	Solano	HR		CWA	\$134,600	HCF
WHR, Moss Landing WA	Monterey	HR		DU, NFWF	\$655,000	GF
WHR, North Grasslands (Featherston)	Merced	HR		CWA	\$83,000	HCF
WHR, North Grasslands (Lone Tree Ranch)	Merced	HP		CWA, LO	\$40,000	HCF
WHR, Suisun Marsh	Solano	HR		Suisun Resource Conservation District, CWA, LO	\$445,000	GF
Total			100		\$10,343,755	



**Honey Lake Ranch,
Lassen County. Wetland
Restoration before
construction of pond.**

WCB photo by Peter Perrine

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The latest addition to the WCB's cadre of conservation tools involves the Oak Woodlands Conservation Act of 2001. This program, while still in the development stage, will support and encourage long-term private stewardship and conservation of oak woodlands. Recognizing that incentives more often than not provide the essential ingredient for private landowner stewardship efforts, this program will be designed to encourage farming and ranching operations to recognize the value of the

majestic oak and protect oak woodlands. WCB anticipates the program to become operational in the later part of 2002.

Like those champion thoroughbreds, the WCB is racing, but it races to meet the challenges facing the conservation and protection of California's natural resources at a time when California's population growth is also competing for the last open spaces. California's population, now at approximately 35 million, grew another 635,000 last year. Economic, fiscal, political and social

realities continue to present challenges. Partnerships, cooperation and integrity have guided WCB over the past years and will continue to guide WCB in the years to come. 🐾

Marilyn has worked for the WCB since 1991 and specializes in developing new programs and initiatives that WCB is responsible for implementing. She developed the Inland Wetlands Conservation Program, the Natural Heritage Preservation Tax Credit Program and is now in the process of developing the Oak Woodlands Conservation Act.

Development Projects Completed for Fiscal Year 2001-2002

Project Name	County	Purpose	Acres	Partners	Expended	Fund
Belden's Landing Fishing Access, Phase I	Solano	PA		Solano County	\$250,000	WRF
Belden's Landing Fishing Access, Phase II	Solano	PA		Solano County	\$250,000	WRF
Cache Creek Nature Center	Yolo	PA	130	Yolo County, DFG	\$190,667	GF
Canebrake ER PA (Agmt.), (So. Fork Kern River)	Kern	PA	1,290	DFG	\$19,017	WRF
Fields Landing PA	Humboldt	PA		Humboldt County, FWS	\$96,438	GF, WRF
Kern River Planting Base PA (Restroom)	Kern	PA		DFG	\$105,251	GF
Lower Sherman Island	Sacramento	PA		DBW, Sacramento County	\$200,250	HWRF, WRF
Moccasin Creek Hatchery PA (Restroom)	Tuolumne	PA		DFG	\$119,104	GF
Napa Marsh WA, Salt Pond Unit	Napa, Solano, Sonoma	HR	9,367	DFG, SCC	\$500,000	P70
Nimbus Hatchery Recreational PA	Sacramento	PA		BOR, FWS, UCD, American River Natural History Assoc	\$100,130	WRF
Prairie Creek Riparian Enhancement	Humboldt	WHR		CCC	\$24,090	HCF
RHR, Clover and Mad Creeks	Glenn	HR		Glenn County RCD	\$40,637	HCF
RHR, So. Fork Willow Creek Trib.	Glenn	HR		Glenn County RCD	\$16,845	HCF
WHR, (American Basin Farms)	Butte	WHR		CWA, NRCS, DFG	\$267,769	GF
WHR, (Bluebird Farms)	Yuba	HR		CWA, FWS, NRCS, DFG, LO	\$38,422	HCF
WHR, (Four Mile Ranch) (aka Le Grande)	Colusa	HR		CWA, NRCS	\$183,260	GF
WHR, (Lakeview Farms)	Placer	WHR		CWA, NRCS, DFG	\$185,152	HCF
WHR, (Richens)	Butte	HR		CWA, FWS, NRCS, DFG	\$40,437	HCF
WHR, North Pintail Slough	Kern	HR		TBWA, NRCS, SWSD, CWA, DFG, LO	\$910,000	HCF
WHR, Upper Butte Basin WA, Little Dry Creek Unit	Butte	HR		DU, DFG	\$35,500	GF
Wohler Bridge Public Fishing Access Imprv.	Sonoma	PA	9	County of Sonoma	\$17,260	GF
Total			10,796		\$3,590,227	



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Honey Lake Ranch, Lassen County. Wetland restoration after construction of pond.

Agencies

ALC	American Land Conservancy
ARC	American River Conservancy
BBVRPD	Big Bear Valley Recreation and Park District
BCWC	Butte Creek Watershed Conservancy
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BOR	Bureau of Reclamation
CCC	California Conservation Corps.
CCSD	Cambria Community Services District
CDA	California Deer Association
CRT	California Rangeland Trust
CTC	Cantara Trustee Council
CVMC	Coachella Valley Mountains Conservancy
CWA	California Waterfowl Association
DBW	Department of Boating and Waterways
DFG	Department of Fish and Game
DOF	Department of Forestry
DPR	Department of Park & Recreation
DU	Ducks Unlimited
DWR	Department of Water Resources
EBMUD	East Bay Municipal Utilities District
EBRPD	East Bay Regional Park District
EID	El Dorado County Irrigation District
ESF	Elkhorn Slough Foundation
FCLT	Four Creeks Land Trust
FRPRD	Feather River Park and Recreation District
FRWTF	Fall River Wild Trout Foundation
FWS	United States Fish and Wildlife Service
GCRCD	Glenn County Resource Conservation District
HLMCSF	Harvey L. and Maude C. Sorensen Foundation
JCLT	Jacoby Creek Land Trust
LCLT	Lake County Land Trust
LCRPD	Lake Cuyamaca Recreation and Park District
LLTT	Lassen Land and Trails Trust
LO	Landowner
LTSCB	Land Trust for Santa Barbara County
LTSCC	Land Trust of Santa Cruz County
MBNEP	Morro Bay National Estuary Program
MEGA	Morro Estuary Greenbelt Alliance

MPROSD	Midpenninsula Regional Open Space District
NCLT	Napa County Land Trust
NFWF	National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
NPS	National Park Service
NRCS	Natural Resource Conservation Service
PF	Packard Foundation
PG&E	Pacific Gas and Electric
PVPLC	Palos Verdes Peninsula Land Conservancy
RC AA	Redwood Community Action Agency
RMEF	Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
SBWA	Santa Barbara County Flood Control and Water Conservation District and Water Agency
SBRoads	Santa Barbara County Roads Department
SCC	State Coastal Conservancy
SJRC	San Joaquin River Conservancy
SRP	Sacramento River Partners
SWSD	Semitropic Water Storage District
TBWA	Tulare Basin Wetland Association
TCLT	Tuolumne County Land Trust
TCPUUD	Tahoe City Public Utilities District
TDRPD	Truckee Donner Recreation and Park District
TDL	Trust for Public Land
UCD	University of California, Davis
USFS	United States Forest Service

Fund Sources

ELPF	Environmental License Plate Fund
FRIF	Forest Resources Improvement Fund
GF	General Fund
HCF	Habitat Conservation Fund
HWRF	Harbors and Watercraft Revolving Fund
IWCF	Inland Wetland Conservation Fund
P204	River Parkway Subaccount
P13	Safe Drinking Water, Clean Water, Watershed Protection and Flood Protection Act
P12	Safe Neighborhood Parks, Clean Water, Clean Air and Coastal Protection Bond Act
WRF	Wildlife Restoration Fund

Abbreviations

Agmt.	Augmentation
CA	Conservation Area
CE	Conservation Easement
CREP	Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program
ER	Ecological Reserve
Exch.	Exchange
HCP	Habitat Conservation Plan
HP	Habitat Protection
HR	Habitat Restoration
Imprv.	Improvements
JPA	Joint Powers Authority
PA	Public Access
RCD	Resource Conservation District
RHR	Riparian Habitat Restoration
SHP	Salmon Habitat Protection
SJRRH	San Joaquin River Riparian Habitat
Trans.	Transfer
VPCP	Vernal Pool Grasslands Preserve
WA	Wildlife Area
WC	Wildlife Corridor
WHR	Wetland Habitat Restoration
WSR	Water Storage Rights

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